

Warm-up: *Transitional Words and Phrases*

Fill the blanks in with appropriate transitional words or phrases.

One of my favorite hobbies is traveling. _____, I decided to get a job that paid me to travel because I just couldn't afford my habit. I worked for a company called Offroad where I led bicycle trips. It was a really hard job. I got to spend two months living and working in France's wine country. _____, I went to the south and stood on the red carpet where they hold the Cannes Film Festival. Riding bikes all summer was great, and traveling around France was incredible; _____, the job was too much work and not enough play. _____, while it fed my traveling addiction, I knew that job wasn't for me.

Example:

One of my favorite hobbies is traveling. **Therefore**, I decided to get a job that paid me to travel because I just couldn't afford my habit. I worked for a company called Offroad where I led bicycle trips. It was a really hard job. I got to spend two months living and working in France's wine country. **In addition**, I went to the south and stood on the red carpet where they hold the Cannes Film Festival. Riding bikes all summer was great, and traveling around France was incredible; **however**, the job was too much work and not enough play. **Thus**, while it fed my traveling addiction, I knew that job wasn't for me.